REMARKS

The specification has been amended in compliance with US patent practice.

The second original claim 3 has been deleted and reintroduced as new claim 14. Claims 1 and 7 have been amended, and claims 15-16 have been added to provide Applicants with the scope of protection to which they are believed entitled.

No new matter has been introduced through the foregoing amendments.

The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned, Applicant's attorney of record, to facilitate advancement of the present application.

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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the ***Title*** of the Invention with the following:

PROCESS OF MAKING STRETCH WRAP FILM

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 2 with the following:

The invention is related to stretch [Stretch] wrap films that are used extensively in packaging to package discrete units together to form a unitary package and are also frequently used to attach a package to a palette, for example. Stretch wrap film may also be used as wrapping to protect a commodity from the environment during handling and transport.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1 and 7 as follows:

1. **(Amended)** A method of making a plastics stretch film comprising the steps of: [-]

a) taking a cast or blown film of plastic material [LLDPE at a temperature of between 50°C and 100°C];

b) causing both plastic and elastic deformation of the film by [stretching it] stretching the film in two successive stretching steps, said first step having a stretch ratio higher than that of said second step to form a stretched film;

c) relaxing said stretched film substantially to release all of the elastic deformation to form a substantially relaxed film; and

d) winding said substantially relaxed film into a roll.

7. **(Amended)** A method of making a plastics stretch film comprising the steps of: [-]

a) taking a cast or blown film of plastic material [LLDPE at a temperature of between 50°C and 100°C];

b) causing both plastic and elastic deformation of the film by [stretching it] stretching the film in two successive stretching steps, said first step having a stretch ratio higher than that of said second step, wherein during said second step said film is traveling at a first speed; and

c) relaxing said stretched film by winding said film into a roll at a speed 0.85 times said first speed.